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**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Dr. Laurie Baeten  
Colorado Division of Wildlife  
317 Prospect Street  
Fort Collins, Colorado 80526

RE: UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL (UIC)  
Draft Area Permit No. CO500924-04915  
Colorado Division of Wildlife  
Foothills Wildlife Health Laboratory  
4330 La Porte Avenue  
Fort Collins, Colorado 80521

Dear Dr. Baeten:

Enclosed are a Draft Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit and Public Notice for the Colorado Division of Wildlife, Foothills Wildlife Health Laboratory Class V injection well, Weld County, Colorado. The Statement of Basis which discusses development of the Draft Area Permit, is also enclosed.

A notice should appear soon in the *Coloradoan*, notifying the public of their opportunity to comment on this permit action. The public comment period on this action will run for thirty (30) days from the latest date of publication. The Public Notice also offers the opportunity to request a Public Hearing to receive additional questions and comments on the Draft Permit. You may call Valois Shea at 1-800-227-8917 x6276 or 303-312-6276 to obtain the exact deadline for public comments. Ms. Shea will also contact you to notify you that a Public Hearing has been requested.

The enclosed Permit is a "**DRAFT**" version of the proposed Final Permit. It is a "sample" of what the Final Permit will look like, and is being sent to you so that you also have a chance to comment. This version of the Permit is **NOT** official.



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Please be aware that a Final Permit decision will not be made until after the public comment period closes. Before a Final Permit decision will be made, all public comments will be taken into consideration. If any substantial comments are received or if any substantial changes are made from the Draft Permit to the Final Permit, it will be necessary to delay the effective date of the Final Permit action for an additional thirty (30) days. This delay is required by Section 124.15 (b) of the Code of Federal Regulations in order to allow for a potential appeal of the final decision.

If you have any questions on the Draft Area Permit, please call Ms. Shea. Please send written comments to Ms. Valois Shea, citing **Mail Code: 8P-W-GW** at the letterhead address.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Stavnes', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sandra A. Stavnes  
Director  
Groundwater Program

Enclosures:       Draft Permit  
                      Statement of Basis  
                      Public Notice

cc w/ enclosures:   Katherine Green  
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                          6060 Broadway  
                          Denver, CO 80216